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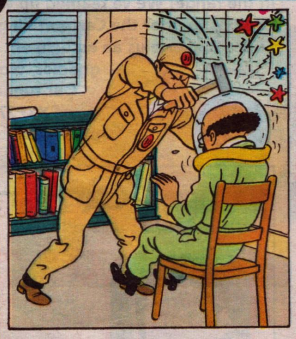

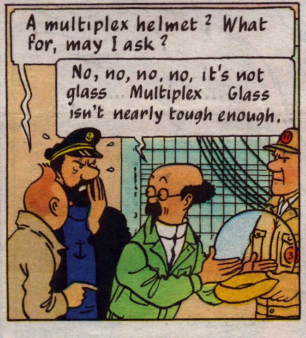

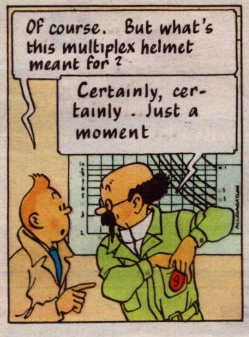

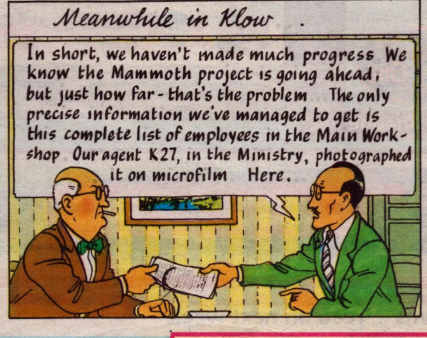

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Enviro girl lends a hand to save her local wildlife and rare butterflies

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In the dog house?
How do you rate as a pet parent?

What is going on? Read on next week

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FUNDAY ON-LINE

Net surfers, get ready ...

This is the name of a village in North Wales and the longest place name in the UK

Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysiliogogogoch

It now has the distinction of being the longest Web page name

You can get the low-down on the village by accessing

http //www nwi co uk/llanfair/

e-mail address **webmaster@nwi co uk**

For LineOne info call: 0345 777464

e-mail: enquiries@lineone.net

If you already have Internet access: www.lineone.net

CLUB ADDRESS

The Funday Times Club, PO Box 11, Tadcaster, North Yorks, LS24 9XA

THE Drawing board

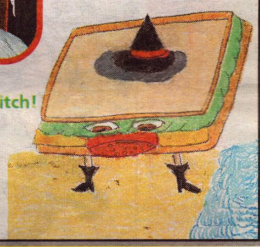
Keep your cool with the XXP275 Super Soaker this summer – it's the biggest and baddest in the range! We've teamed up with Toy Options to offer the Cartoon King an XXP275 Super Soaker plus an assortment of Toy Option goodies, worth £100.

Our runners-up will win the XXP275 plus Toy Option goodies worth £20

Cartoon King

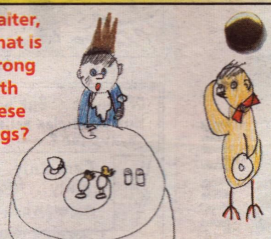
Q What do you call a nasty old woman that lives by the sea?

A A sand-witch!



Ben Seidler, age 12, Rome, Italy

Diner: Waiter, what is wrong with these eggs?



Waiter: I don't know sir, I only laid the table!

Lucy King, age 10, Winchester

Q Do robots have brothers?

A No, only transistors!

Dawn Sampson, age 11, Chesterfield

 Cody's adventure seems to be all ups and downs ... read on next week

FUNDAY TIMES CLUB

LUCKY LEGOLAND® SCRATCH

It's WEEK TWO of our fantastic LEGOLAND Scratch Game!

£30,000 worth of prizes to be won!

Family trip to LEGOLAND in Denmark and Windsor
(two adults, two children for two nights with travel and £200)

20 weekend trips to LEGOLAND Windsor
(one night's accommodation for a family of four)

1,000 child entry tickets

100 family entry tickets to LEGOLAND Windsor

2 Apple Macintosh computers

Check your scratch card to see if you have a winning combination!

HOW TO PLAY LEGOLAND SCRATCH

On your LEGOLAND Scratch Card which came free in The Sunday Times last week, there are seven silver panels – each with a LEGO brick representing one of the seven fun areas at LEGOLAND Windsor Park.
Last week we showed you a selection of bricks to scratch off. They were Duplo Gardens, Miniland and Wild Woods. This week scratch off the three bricks shown here to see if you have a winning combination of symbols!

Please ensure that you have parental approval to enter this competition

BONUS SCRATCH

Match the bonus symbol on your card to the Bonus LEGOLAND symbol printed here.
If it matches, you have won one of two amazing Apple Macintosh computers.

HOW TO CLAIM MAJOR PRIZES

As soon as you uncover a winning combination (for any accommodation inclusive prizes or computer prizes) you must claim your prize by phoning our national rate Hotline on 0990 62 63 64 on the Sunday of publication or the following day between 10am and 4pm. You must have your LEGOLAND Windsor Park Promotion game card with you when you claim. Prizes will be dispatched within 14 days of verification. Other prizes can be claimed by presenting your game card when you visit LEGOLAND Windsor.

FREE DRAW FOR UNCLAIMED PRIZES

Any prizes which remain unclaimed after July 31, 1997 will be put into a prize draw. To enter this draw all you have to do is write your name and address on a plain piece of paper and post it to The Funday Times Draw/Results address. The draw will take place on August 7, 1997. A winners' list will be available from this address after this date.

If you did not receive a LEGOLAND Scratch Card in The Sunday Times, you can obtain one by calling our card request line on 0171-481 3355 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday

The NUMSKULLS

THE NUMSKULLS APPEAR EVERY WEEK IN THE BEANO

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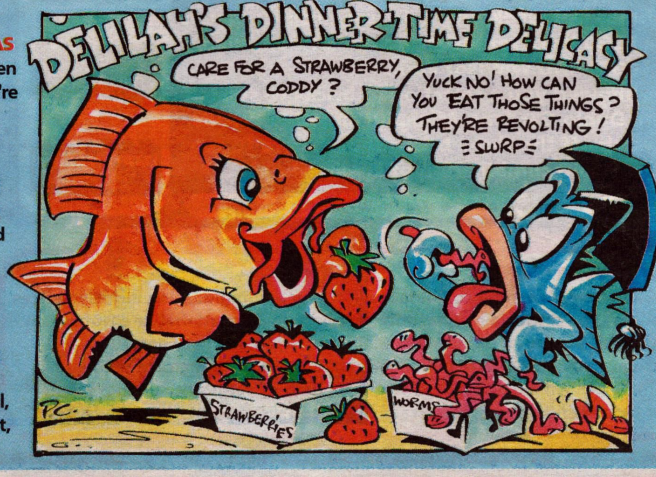
The INTELLIGENT COD

THERE'S NOTHING SO LUSCIOUS IN SUMMER AS a bowl of strawberries, even if you're a fish! Well, if you're Delilah the 15-year-old carp from Luton at least. Carp are usually lured by anglers with bits of bread or grubs, but Delilah loves ripe red berries. She picked up her taste for them in the restaurant where she lives. She often amuses diners by catching whole strawberries in her mouth then turning pink with pleasure – she's grey! Well, what would you rather eat, fruit or maggots?

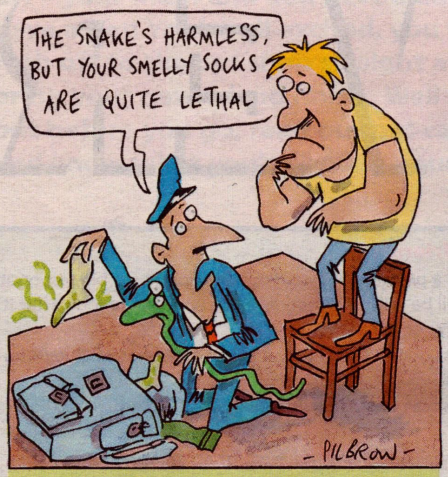


The COD'S QUESTION

Dear Cod
Why is it that I keep finding spiders in the bath? Where do they come from?
Gemma Fiern, age 9, Ludlow

Dear Gemma, Rumour has it they are thirsty and get more water than they bargained for when the tap comes on! But actually, it's usually a male spider who went off in search of a female (they do this at certain times of the year). Spiders often slip into the bath while checking out the bathroom and find it too slippery to get out again - so give them a hand out, a line of loo roll will do!

FUNDAY TIMES NEWS



Odd souvenir

A backpacker was in for a startling surprise when he woke up after returning home from a camping holiday abroad. As he opened his eyes, chef Ralph Skripek saw a 30 centimetre long snake slithering towards him out of his rucksack. Jumping up, rattled Ralph called up a local Animal Rescue group to come and collect the slippery stowaway! He didn't fancy keeping his hissing friend as a souvenir.

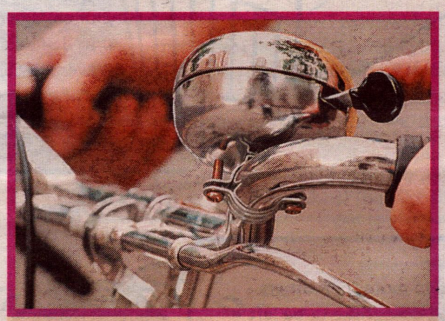
Dinomite

Dinomania is back! 'The Lost World', Steven Spielberg's special effects-packed sequel to 'Jurassic Park' is breaking all box office records across the Atlantic. This second film full of hordes of ravenous reptilian monsters looks destined to become the biggest earning movie in cinematic history with projected profits of one billion dollars – once the dust from those huge dinosaurs' footprints has settled.

The film opens in the UK on Friday, July 18.

Enviro-girl

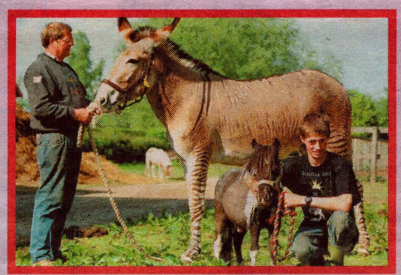
Get involved – if you want to protect your countryside. That's the message from 13-year-old Alana Shepherd, the 'Young Environmentalist of the Year'. Alana is fighting to preserve a wildlife haven near her home where up to 20 species of butterfly, including the extremely rare 'grizzled skipper' variety are known to live and breed. Alana is the youngest member of a conservation group which is trying to protect the former gravel extraction pit at Waterford Heath, Herts. She hopes to encourage other youngsters to help.



Ring my bell

Cyclists and pedestrians are welcoming the government's proposal to ring the changes and make bells compulsory on bikes. It is thought that under the revised law all new bikes would have to be sold with a bell fitted. Pressure groups also want manufacturers to equip bicycles with lights rather than just the current reflectors to make them even safer.

Stripy success



PICTURE: WESSEX NEWS

It's zany zoology experts have come up with the perfect zebra crossing. They have crossed a zebra with a donkey – and made a ZEBRASS! Two of the push me-pull you style Doctor Doolittle creatures, called Zed and Zee, are certainly an odd couple at an animal centre near Hereford. They are the only zebrass in the UK and there are only six in the world. Owner Angelica Allison says, "Zebras are wild animals but our Zebrass are extremely friendly, a trait they take from the donkey."

Tossing for Innings by Robert James

Bat's good!

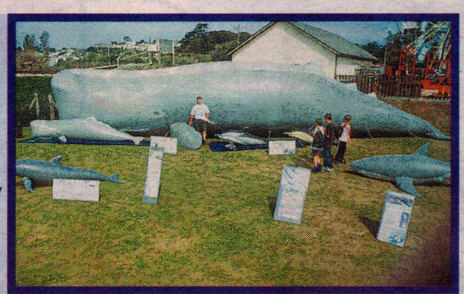
With England currently battling it out with the Australians for the Ashes, cricket fans will be bowled over by a marvellous new exhibition of cricketing paintings at the Lord's cricket ground in London. The pictures show famous characters and scenes from the game's history with legends like 19th century ace batsman WG Grace and the first bowler to take 300 Test wickets – 'Fiery' Freddy Trueman all feature.

Open until September 6.
For further details tel 0171-289 1611.

Water world

Today is 'World Oceans Day' when thousands of people all over the UK will be participating in all sorts of weird and wonderful events celebrating the special magic of our seas. Coast to coast, children of all ages can have a go at piloting a mini-submarine, create 'funky fish' from flotsam and jetsam, discover how huge whales really are, even construct an eight-metre-long giant squid! Jump in at the deep end and join in the fun!

To find your nearest event tel 0171-924 2355.



PET POWER

OK – your mum and dad have said you can have a pet! You're all excited, you want to rush off to the pet shop straight away, and bring your new friend home. Well that's great but before you go, read our pet care special and know what you're letting yourself in for!

Forever friends

If you want a pet of your own, you are taking on a big responsibility. Your pet will be relying on you and you will have to look after it for the rest of his or her life!

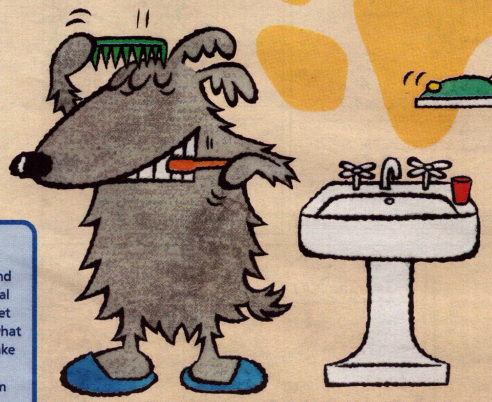
- The oldest dog was an Australian cattle dog called Bluey – he lived for 29 years!
- The oldest cat was a female tabby called Ma – she lived for 34 years.
- Old Billy was a stallion – he lived for an amazing 62 years!

A sharp reminder

Nearly every pet needs to be inoculated against diseases and parasites. Every pet has special needs. You should ask your vet to advise you on what you have to do to take care of your pet.

- Cats can die from cat flu, it only costs about £8 to inoculate your cat against it.
- To de-flea a dog, it costs on average £5 a time.

Regular grooming can help keep fleas at bay and keeps pets healthy as well as shiny!



Get into training

Every pet has descended from wild animals and most still have the instincts of their ancestors. Your pet's needs have to be taken care of but at the same time they must be taught to behave correctly both in the home and in public.

- Dogs were first domesticated in 10,000BC. All domesticated dogs are descendants of the wolf.
- Although small pets, like rabbits, gerbils and hamsters, live with us as pets, they are not usually tame and their behaviour is less predictable.
- Even tame pets can scratch or bite you if you do not treat them correctly.

Go for grooming

Most pets which have a coat need to be groomed. Often pets will groom themselves but they still need you to help. Grooming your pet regularly will help you develop a special bond.

- Most dogs moult every spring and autumn, so they have a thick coat, to keep warm, in the winter and a thin coat, to keep cool, in the summer.
- All cats should be brushed regularly as they swallow a lot of fur when they groom themselves. The 'furballs' can make them sick.

A drink of water ... or several

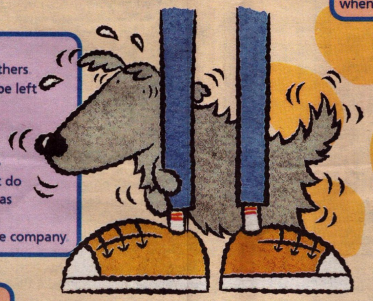
Your pet must always have access to fresh water.

- Most dogs will drink two litres of water every single day.
- A horse will drink around 50 litres of water every day.

Cool companions

Some pets need companionship more than others.

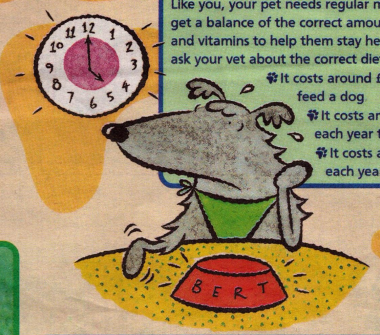
- Dogs are social animals and do not like to be left on their own for long periods of time. If left on their own dogs often get frustrated and cause damage.
- Lions are the only cats who live in groups – prides. Domestic cats are sociable animals but do not need people for companionship as much as dogs, though they enjoy a stroke!
- Horses and ponies are herd animals and like company.



Chew this over

Like you, your pet needs regular meals. They must get a balance of the correct amount of protein and vitamins to help them stay healthy. You should ask your vet about the correct diet for your pet.

- It costs around £375 each year to feed a dog.
- It costs an average of £290 each year to feed a cat.
- It costs about £1,320 each year to feed a horse.



Playtime and PE

It is very important that all pets have space where they can play. Young pets must get lots of exercise so they grow properly. They also have to learn to interact with other animals and people. You want them to grow up well.

- The tallest dog was a Great Dane called Shamgret Danzas who grew to be 105.4cm tall.
- The rabbit with the longest ears was called Sweet Majestic Star. His ears were 72.4cm long.
- The smallest horse was a stallion called Little Pumpkin, who was 35.5cm.

Pet population

It is natural for your pet to want to mate, but the population of pets has to be controlled. It is costly and time-consuming looking after a pet – unwanted babies are even more of a handful. Ask your vet about neutering.

- A greyhound holds the record for the dog with the most offspring – he fathered 3,000 puppies!
- The largest litter produced by a cat is 24 kittens.
- A female rabbit can produce over 720 babies in just 10 years.

THE BLUE CROSS

ANIMAL WELFARE CHARITY

The Blue Cross is a practical animal welfare charity. It has 11 adoption centres around the UK. The charity also runs four veterinary hospitals that treat animals whose owners cannot afford private veterinary fees. The charity treats over 60,000 sick animals at its hospitals every year and finds new homes for over 8,000 pets and the Blue Cross Horse Protection Scheme finds new homes on permanent loan for horses.

The Blue Cross Code

The Blue Cross Code is a guide to responsible pet ownership. If you haven't got a pet but want one, the Code can help you decide on the best pet for you! And if you have got a pet – it can give you some handy tips, which you may not know about.

If you would like to receive a free copy of The Blue Cross Code send an A4 stamped-addressed envelope to: Selina Williams, The Blue Cross Code, Shilton Road, Burford, Oxfordshire OX18 4PF

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BERYL THE PERIL

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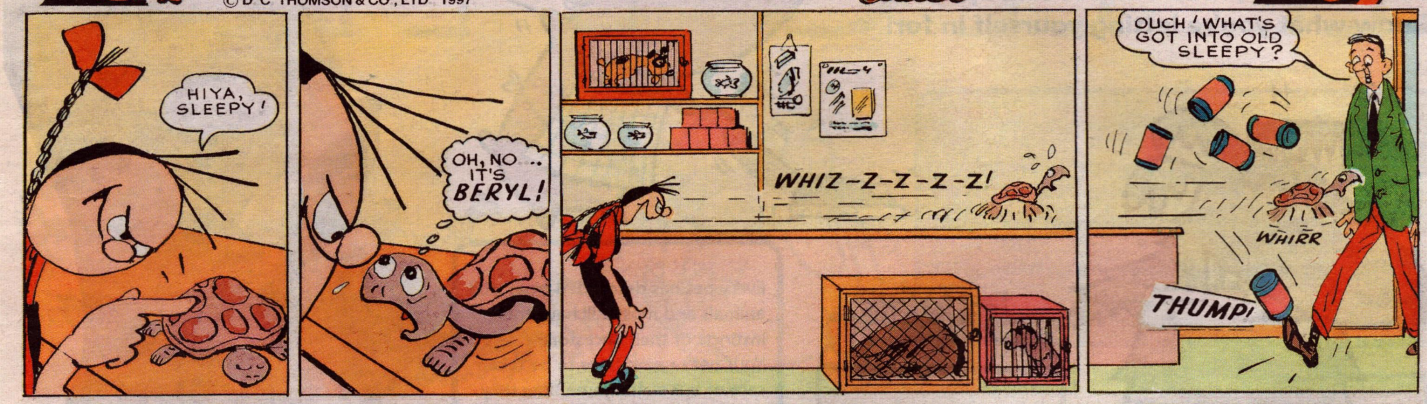
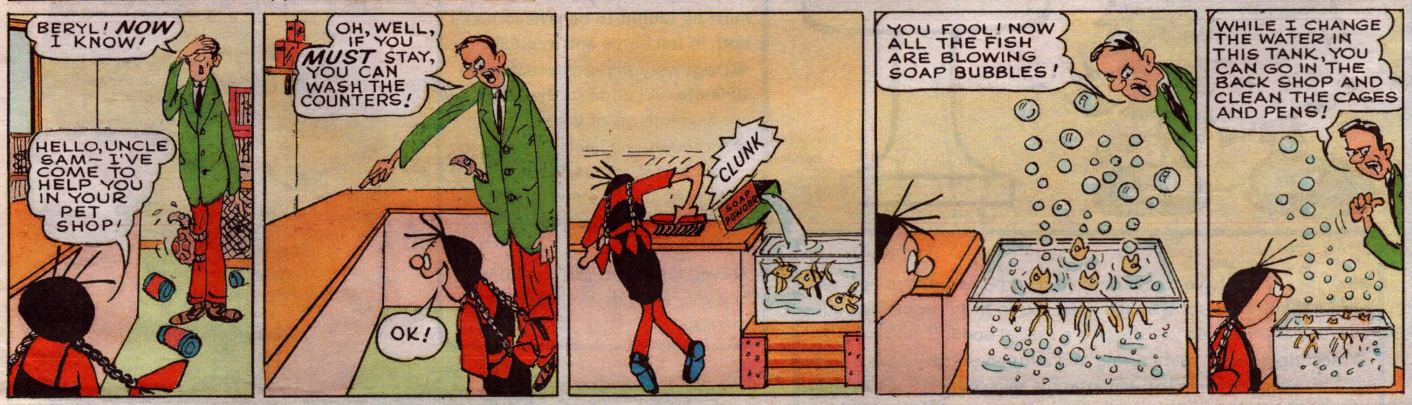
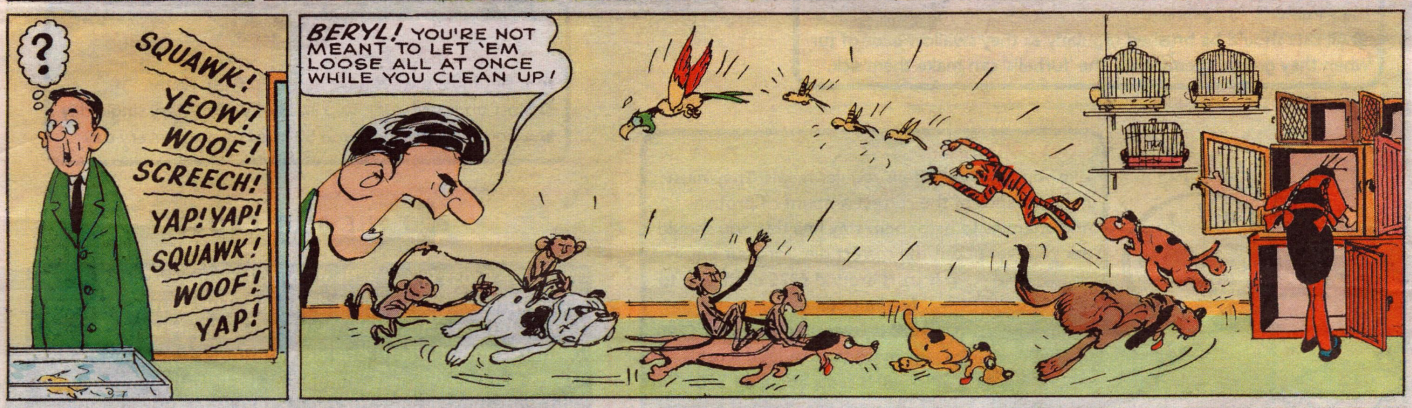
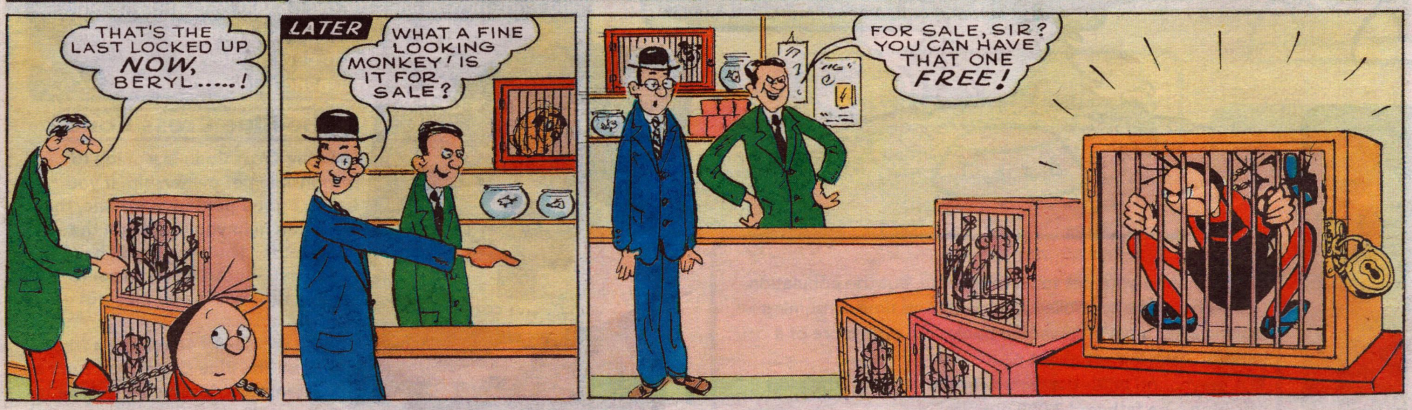
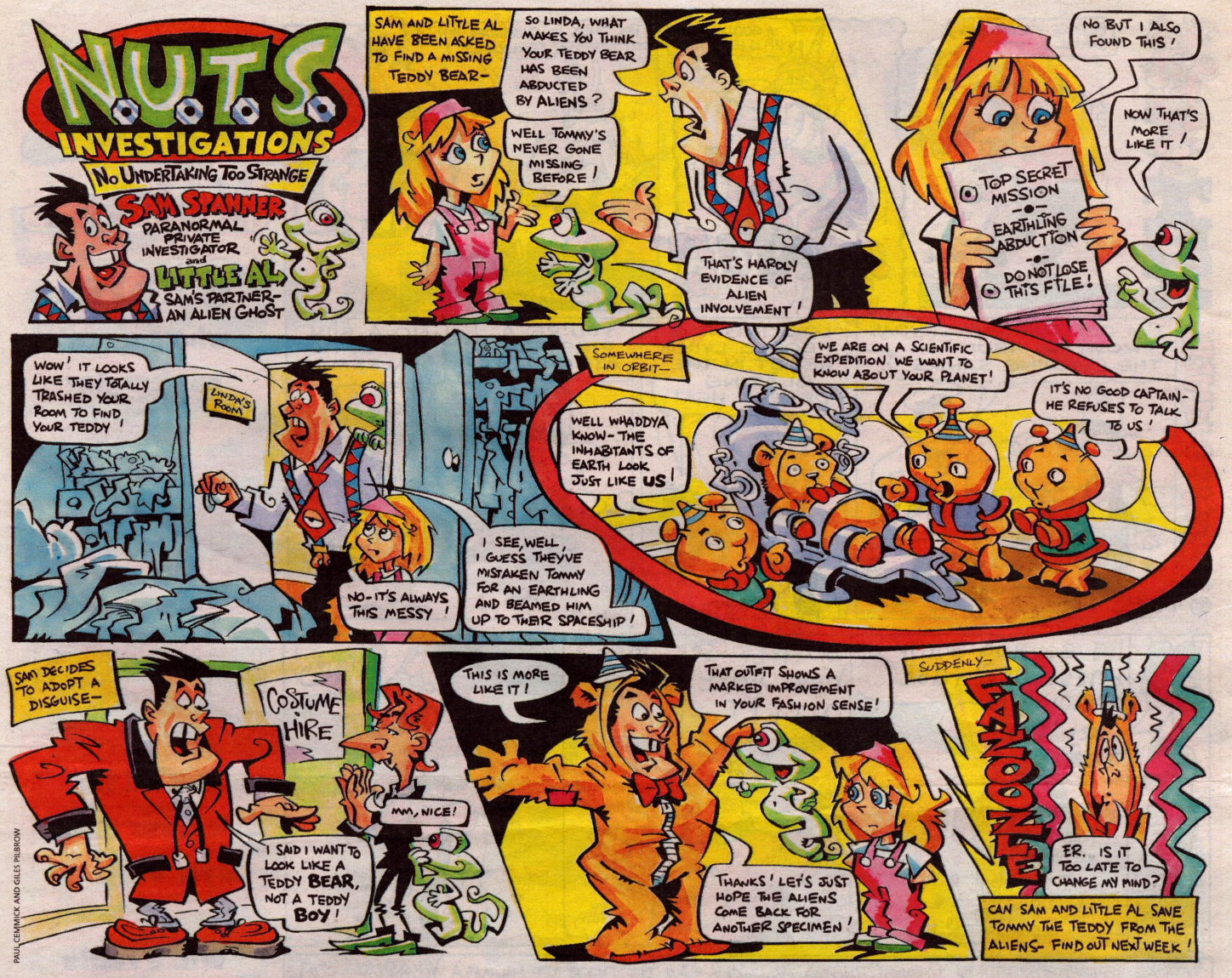








8 Beryl never stops monkeying around – more of her antics next week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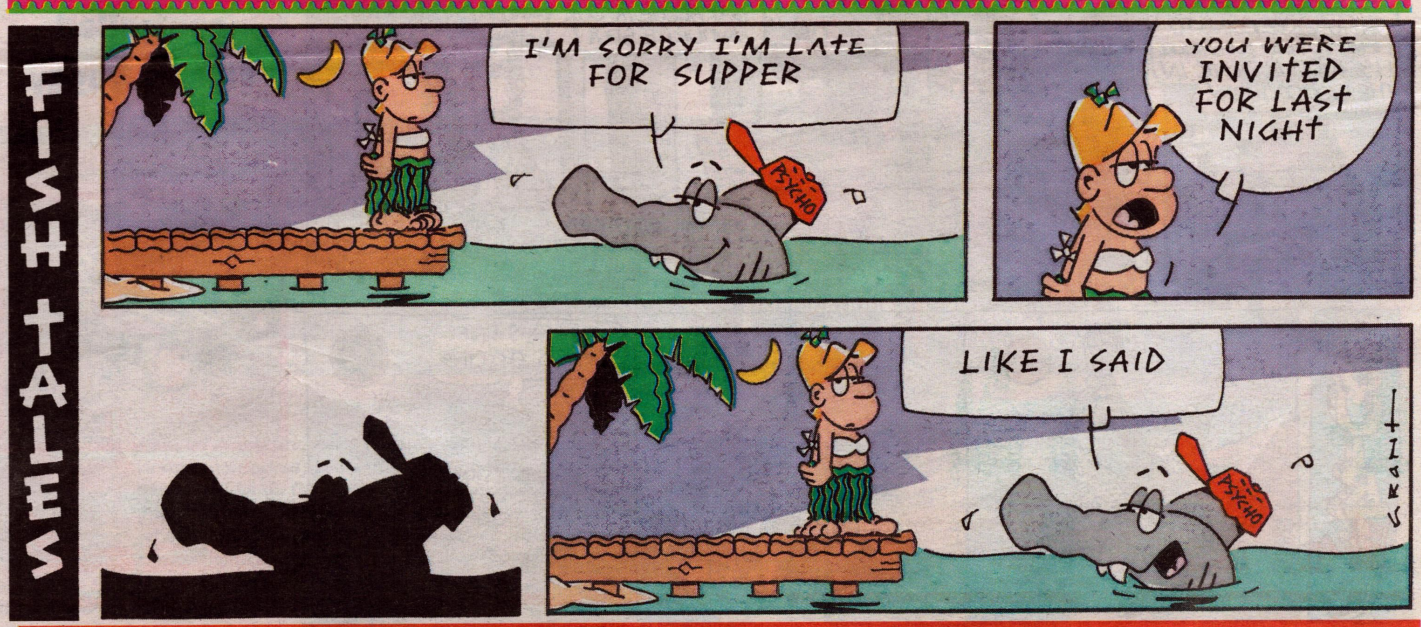
INVESTIGATIONS
NO UNDERTAKING TOO STRANGE
SAM SPANNER
PARANORMAL PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR
and
LITTLE AL
SAM'S PARTNER- AN ALIEN GHOST
SAM AND LITTLE AL HAVE BEEN ASKED TO FIND A MISSING TEDDY BEAR-
SO LINDA, WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOUR TEDDY BEAR HAS BEEN ABDUCTED BY ALIENS?
WELL TOMMY'S NEVER GONE MISSING BEFORE!
THAT'S HARDLY EVIDENCE OF ALIEN INVOLVEMENT!
NO BUT I ALSO FOUND THIS!
NOW THAT'S MORE LIKE IT!
TOP SECRET MISSION
EARTHLING ABDUCTION
DO NOT LOSE THIS FILE!
WOW! IT LOOKS LIKE THEY TOTALLY TRASHED YOUR ROOM TO FIND YOUR TEDDY!
LINDA'S ROOM
NO- IT'S ALWAYS THIS MESSY!
I SEE, WELL, I GUESS THEYVE MISTAKEN TOMMY FOR AN EARTHLING AND BEAMED HIM UP TO THEIR SPACESHIP!
SOMEWHERE IN ORBIT-
WELL WHADDYA KNOW- THE INHABITANTS OF EARTH LOOK JUST LIKE US!
WE ARE ON A SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR PLANET!
IT'S NO GOOD CAPTAIN- HE REFUSES TO TALK TO US!
SAM DECIDES TO ADOPT A DISGUISE-
COSTUME HIRE
MM, NICE!
I SAID I WANT TO LOOK LIKE A TEDDY BEAR, NOT A TEDDY BOY!
THIS IS MORE LIKE IT!
THAT OUTFIT SHOWS A MARKED IMPROVEMENT IN YOUR FASHION SENSE!
THANKS! LET'S JUST HOPE THE ALIENS COME BACK FOR ANOTHER SPECIMEN!
SUDDENLY-
EAROOOLE
ER. IS IT TOO LATE TO CHANGE MY MIND?
CAN SAM AND LITTLE AL SAVE TOMMY THE TEDDY FROM THE ALIENS- FIND OUT NEXT WEEK!
PAUL CEMMICK AND GILES PILBROW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I'M SORRY I'M LATE FOR SUPPER
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LIKE I SAID
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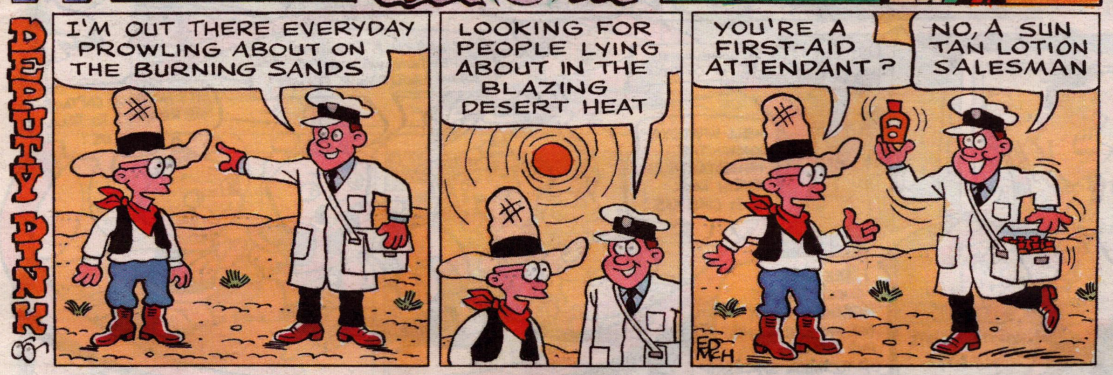
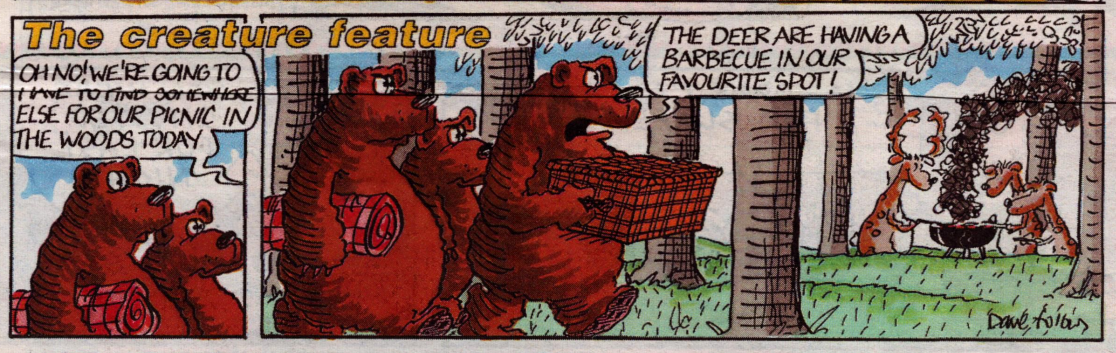
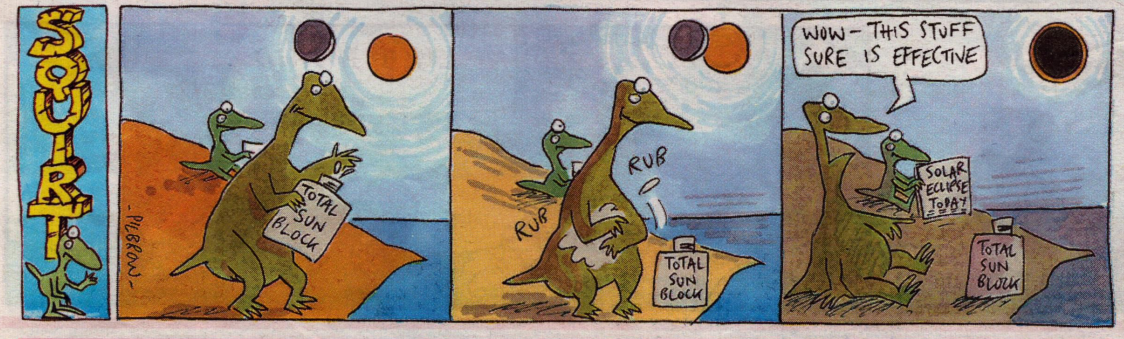






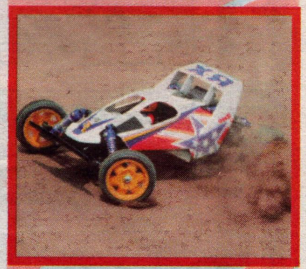
THE FUN CONTINUES NEXT WEEK IN THE FUNDAY TIMES

Meet the cat who's a real cat burglar

The Cod spills the beans on why T-Rex was really such a big nasty brute!

Get all the colour and style of Ascot

Win a radio controlled Fighter Buggy kit!



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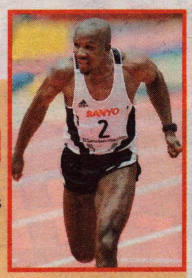
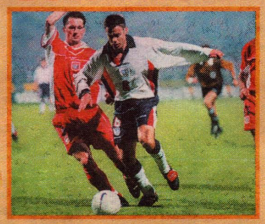
Red Card



Canadian athlete Donovan Bailey gets the Red Card after his outburst against fellow sprinter Michael Johnson. Bailey sped off with a $1m prize when he won the Fastest Man on Earth race last weekend, a contest that Johnson dropped out of with a thigh injury. Rather than just taking the money happily, Bailey claimed his rival had faked the injury and was a 'coward'. He might be fast, but he needs to learn some manners.

Gold Medal



England are still on course for a place in next year's World Cup after a top display against Poland. Glenn Hoddle's men gave one of their best performances in years and, for our money, the player of the match was Graeme Le Saux. This time last year he was laid up with a bad injury, but he's come back better than ever. He should be a fixture in the team for years to come.

Sportrait

GRAND PRIX DRIVER

Giancarlo Fisichella

Formula One's top drivers are flying to Canada this week with the world championship still up for the taking. Jacques Villeneuve is leading the title hunt at the moment, with Schumacher and Heinz-Harold Frentzen close behind. But, not to be overlooked are the young drivers on the circuit and the best may yet be Italian Giancarlo Fisichella, already tipped as a future world champ!

- Giancarlo comes from Rome and is a big fan of the city's football team, AS Roma
- He made his debut in Formula One at the wheel of a slowcoach Minardi, but did well enough to earn a place in the Jordan team for this season
- Giancarlo is now based in England and lives in Oxford. However, he gets back to Italy to see his family and friends whenever he can
- His team-mate is Ralf Schumacher, whose brother Michael has been world champion twice. Ralf and Giancarlo are not the best of friends after crashing into each other at the start of this season!
- Giancarlo is regarded as one of the sport's pin-ups and was voted the best looking driver in Formula One this year!

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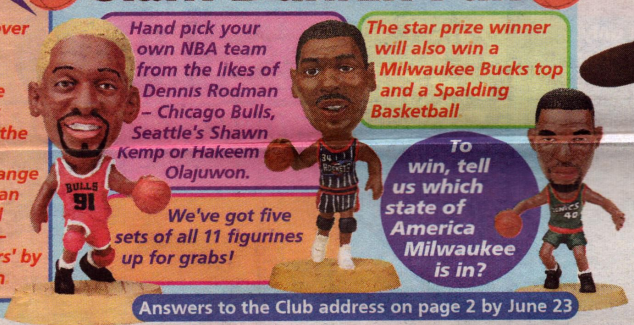

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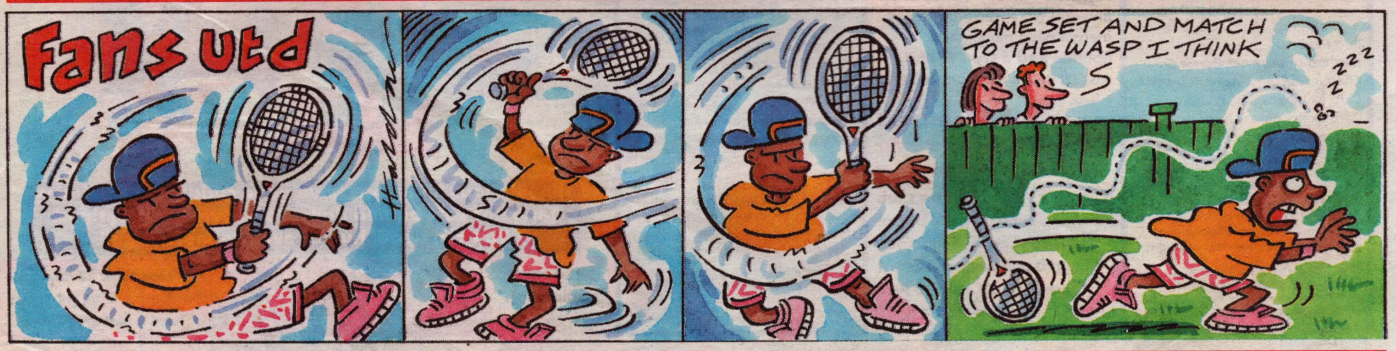

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